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In re APPLICATION of SZUM et al.

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Title: RADIATION-CURABLE OPTICAL GLASS FIBER COATING COMPOSITIONS, ECOATED OPTICAL GLASS FIBERS AND OPTICAL GLASS FIBER ASSEMBLIES

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

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The Examiner's attention is directed to the following applications (which were also cited in parent application 09/035,771):

Examiner's Initials	Inventors	Application No.	Filing Date
	SZUM et al.	09/353,657	July 15, 1999
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<u>PLEASE DO NOT PRINT</u> the above information on the patent which results from the subject application.

Consideration of each listed application is earnestly solicited since unpublished patent applications are contemplated as IDS material; see the exception in Rule 98(a)(2)(ii) and note the penultimate sentence of MPEP 609.

Further, in keeping with MPEP 609, Subsec. C(2), 2nd para., line 10 to end of the paragraph (especially note lines 18-25) **PLEASE <u>RETURN</u> A COPY OF <u>THIS LETTER</u>** with the Examiner's initials adjacent each above listing so that applicants will know that each listed application has been considered as required by PTO policy.

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Secondly, please consider each document listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 and return a copy of the forms with the Examiner's initials adjacent each citation. Except for U.S. Patents 6,110,593; 6,169,126; and 6,222,969, and for Japanese reference 8-113621, copies of the listed documents are not enclosed because they were already cited in parent application 09/035,771. Enclosed U.S. Patents 6,110,593 and 6,169,126 resulted, respectively, from U.S. patent applications 09/082,548 and 09/353,659, which applications were cited in parent application 09/035,771. Enclosed Japanese reference 8-113621 (original, abstract, and translation) is a foreign counterpart of U.S. Patent 5,913,004, which was also cited in parent application 09/035,771.

This IDS is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, <u>prompt</u> notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicant to comply fully.

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